

## SAYS HE WON'T GRAB ALASKA

Steele Testifies in Ballinger Case

## TO DENY STORIES OF DEAL

No Government Aid—Guggenheim Syndicate Has the Option on the Cunningham Coal Claims.

Washington, Feb. 19.—That the Morgan-Guggenheim Alaska syndicate obtained an interest in an option on what are known as the Cunningham coal claims in the latter part of July, 1907, was admitted yesterday before the Senate committee on territories by Stephen B. Steele, the managing director of the syndicate. Mr. Steele explained to the committee the details of the transaction concerning the Cunningham claims, which are the ones involved in the Ballinger-Lindset controversy.

Stirred by what they call exaggerated reports printed in the magazines and newspapers of the work of the Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate in Alaska, John N. Steele, general counsel of the syndicate, and Mr. Birch appeared before the committee. They announced that they intended to give "full details of the work and interests of J. P. Morgan & Co. and the Messrs. Guggenheim, and of their joint operations in Alaska."

Their statements are of the more interesting because it has been well known for a long time that these capitalists had large interests in the territory. Many statements have been current that they are slowly forging a vice-like grip on the mineral wealth of the Alaskan region. It was to deny that the Morgan-Guggenheim crowd is trying to gobble up Alaska that Messrs. Steele and Birch were impelled to come forward with their statement.

That the chief reason which has prompted them to make this statement is the fact that the Alaska government bill has been practically killed by the widespread belief in Congress that the bill is a scheme of the Morgan-Guggenheim crowd to further their interests is the impression about the capital.

Mr. Steele, who is a brother of Charles Steele of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., testified that all the money spent in the enormous development of the Alaskan resources had been furnished by the syndicate itself, and that it had never received any aid from the government.

Concerning the Cunningham claims, it appears the syndicate has an option on them, and that the agreement is held in escrow. If the lands are patented, the syndicate will get them. The committee was deeply interested in this disclosure in view of the fact L. R. Glavis has been telling the special investigating committee that the lands ought not to be patented.

Continuing his cross-examination of Glavis at the resumption of the inquiry, counsel for Secretary Ballinger drew from the witness the fact that up to the time Mr. Ballinger went out of office as land commissioner in March, 1898, there had been no evidence of fraud in the Alaska coal cases. The Cunningham "journal," which contained evidence of an alleged agreement, Glavis said, had not been found at that time. However, the witness declared that Mr. Ballinger, in his opinion, had not acted as a man would if the property had been his own, instead of the government's.

As to Mr. Ballinger's participation in the Wilson Coal company case, Glavis admitted that he had no first-hand knowledge, and that he had testified merely from hearsay.

Mr. Voorhes questioned the witness more closely than ever yesterday, announcing that he was endeavoring to probe the motive of the witness as to whether it was innocent or malicious. Attorney Brandeis rather heatedly replied that Glavis had no other motive than to tell the truth.

## LATER SESSIONS OF SENATE.

Move to Make Time of Meeting Two O'clock Instead of Twelve.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The Senate is on the point of smashing one of its most venerable customs and meeting at two o'clock.

## Genuine Eczema Remedy

New Remedy That Cures Eczema Quickly.

D. F. Davis has sold hundreds of jars of Hekara in the last few weeks, and although he offered to refund the purchase price to any dissatisfied purchaser, not one jar has been returned.

While this is surprising in itself, yet the most marvelous thing to him is the reports of chronic cases of eczema that have been cured by this simple skin food. People who have suffered with scales, sores and even bleeding itching have found relief and cure in Hekara. No matter where the eczema, pimples or other breaking-out occurs, whether on the face, hands, legs or body, the application of Hekara will give quick relief, and even the worst or most chronic cases will be cured in a short time.

You can buy a liberal-sized jar at the very low price of 25c, and with every package goes D. F. Davis' guarantee to refund the money if it is not satisfactory. Larger size, 50c.

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Of those corpuscles in your blood that have been called "Little Soldiers," is to fight for you against the disease germs that constantly endanger your health. These corpuscles are made healthy and strong by the use of Wood's Sarsaparilla.

This medicine is a combination of more than 30 different remedial agents in proportions and by a process known only to ourselves and it has for thirty years been constantly proving its worth. No substitute, none "just-as-good."

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A Few Doses Clean and Regulate the Kidneys, Ending Backache and Misery in Bed.

Out-of-order kidneys not fine and backache or bladder misery is relieved after a few doses of Pope's Diuretic. Pains in the back, sides or loins, rheumatic twinges, debilitating headache, nervousness, dizziness, sleeplessness, inflamed or swollen eyelids, worn-out feeling and many other symptoms of clogged, inactive kidneys simply vanish.

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A few days' treatment with Pope's Diuretic means clean, active, healthy kidneys, bladder and urinary organs—and you feel fine.

Your physician, pharmacist, banker or any mercantile agency will tell you that Pope, Thompson & Pope of Cincinnati is a large and responsible medicine concern, thoroughly worthy of your confidence.

Accept only Pope's Diuretic—fifty-cent treatment—from any drug store—anywhere in the world.

Instead of twelve o'clock, the proposition is that of Senator Bailey of Texas, who introduced a resolution providing for the change some weeks ago but with little hope, as he said, that the Senate would pay any attention to it. He would prefer night sessions, he stated, but he recognized that a majority of the Senate would not. But the idea of later meetings "to" with the Senate, and yesterday morning it was seriously considered by the committee on rules. Senator Crane presiding. The meeting was attended also by Senators Aldrich, Carter, Bailey and Bacon and as a result a sub-committee of Senators Aldrich, Carter and Bailey was appointed to frame a resolution placing the hour at two o'clock. Senator Aldrich expects the time from twelve to two o'clock as practically wasted. The attendance in light and the session seriously interferes with the sessions of the committee. The change would mean more rapid progress in legislation, he believes, by giving the senators time in the morning to attend to their office work, and attend their committee meetings. Under the new plan which would not necessarily affect the House procedure at all the Senate would sit from two to six o'clock during the early months of the session and meet earlier as work grew heavier in the Senate and lighter in the committee rooms.

## CABINET ON CORPORATION LAW.

Plans for Enforcement of the Law Chief Subject of Session.

Washington, Feb. 19.—The situation which confronts the administration in the enforcement of the corporation tax law was the principal subject matter of discussion at yesterday's cabinet meeting. Attorney General Wickham remained behind for some time to talk with President Taft after the other cabinet members had gone. It can be said that the administration is much perturbed over the situation. The whiskey decision was also under discussion.

## TO MAKE PEARY GO TO DANES.

House Sub-Committee on Naval Affairs Wants Records Examined Elsewhere.

Washington, Feb. 19.—Robert E. Peary may be called upon to submit proofs of his discovery of the north pole to some scientific organization other than the National Geographic society. This is the sentiment of the sub-committee of the house naval committee which has been directed to report a bill regarding Commander Peary. Several members of this sub-committee are insistent that the findings of the National Geographic society can't not be regarded as final in determining whether Peary reached the north pole, and they suggest that the explorer should submit his proofs to another tribunal, preferably the university of Copenhagen.

## ADMITS IDENTITY.

Doctor Cook at Santiago Calls Upon Former Comrade.

Santiago, Chile, Feb. 19.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook yesterday admitted his identity. He visited his old comrade, the Belgian Rysseberghe, and the two men were together for some hour.

The two men were members of the Belgian Antarctic expedition of 1897-98, and the engineer recognized Cook when they were fellow passengers on the steamer from Valdivia.

Until now, however, Cook has refused to recognize his former companion.

## CZAR COMING BACK TO CAPITAL.

Indication of Move in the Return of the Dowager Empress.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—The dowager empress, on her return to Russia, has taken up her residence in the Anichkov palace in St. Petersburg itself, instead of in her palace at Gatchina, thirty miles out, where she has resided since the outbreak of the revolution. This is the first evidence of the imperial plans to return to the capital. The emperor and empress had intended to spend the winter season at the winter palace and elaborate court festivities were planned, but the death of the Grand Duke Michael caused this to be abandoned.

## CONGRER PUTS IT UP TO PARTY

Republicans Paid to Give Protection

## BRIDGE COMPANIES AIDED

New York State Campaign—More Direct Charges Against Allds—The Attempted Lone Hold-up of Congress in 1907.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 19.—The legislative bribery scandal, so far as the bridge companies are concerned, was definitely put up to the Republican party yesterday in the closing of Senator Benn Conger's cross-examination.

Conger made it clear that the contribution he made to the Republican campaign fund in 1902 was for the purpose of buying protection for the bridge interests. Furthermore, he declared, the bridge companies made no contribution to the Democratic state campaign fund. Asked why he did not rise in the assembly in 1901 and tell his colleagues his story, Conger replied, blithely: "With the speaker (Nixon) and the leader (Allds) holding us up for blackmail, I didn't think it would do any good."

Conger yesterday voiced a new charge against Allds, when he accused him of trying to "hold up" the bridge companies again in 1907, when the present highway law was being drafted by the committee of which Allds was chairman. Allds met Conger in the railway station in Albany late in 1907, and this is what Conger declared Allds said to him:

"We are getting our reports on that general highway bill. There are some bad things going into that bill for our fellows. You had better get up and see us."

Several senators cross-examined Conger yesterday in an attempt to lessen the damaging effect of his recent allegations against Speaker Nixon and Assemblyman Jean Burnett, but Conger stuck to his charges.

When Conger's attorney took him in hand for redirect examination, he showed a desire to repair any undesired damage he might have inflicted on other deputations. He wanted it understood that he had cast no reflections on former Assemblyman Louis Bedell when he said Bedell suggested to him an amendment favorable to the bridge companies. He also declared that nothing derogatory was meant in his mention of the names of Highway Commissioner Hooker, Senator Heacock, Assemblyman Yale or any other legislators whose names had appeared in his testimony, except Allds, Nixon and Burnett.

During the general discussion just before the Senate adjourned, Attorney Littleton took full responsibility for the defense in disclosing the names of Nixon and Burnett. He referred scornfully to the idea that all the guilty but Allds were supposed to be dead.

Conger said yesterday that he did not know how the \$4,000 handed to Burnett was distributed, and this left open an avenue of suspicion toward others, which several senators tried in vain to close. Senators Wainwright and Grady, among others, contended that if Conger, among others, contended that if Conger should be forced to tell, but the investigation adjourned with the question still undecided. Chairman Davis said he would rule on the matter when sessions are resumed next Tuesday morning.

## LAND INQUIRY NEXT WEEK.

Disclosures Expected to Result from the Taking of Testimony.

Albany, Feb. 19.—Although interesting developments are promised as a result of Governor Hughes' action in ordering an inquiry into the affairs of the state forest, fish and game department, disclosures are not expected until the commission appointed by the governor formally begins the examination of witnesses. The taking of testimony will probably not begin before a week or ten days. By that time, it is expected the Conger-Allds bribery charges will have been disposed of.

## RAY STATE BALLOT BILL.

New Measure Introduced in the New York Legislature.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Another Massachusetts ballot bill was introduced yesterday. The measure, which was put in by Assemblyman Lee of Kings, was drafted by the committee on legislation of the citizens' union of New York City and was drawn in accordance with the recommendations of Governor Hughes in his annual message in which he urged the adoption of a ballot that will "place parties, candidates and voters respectively on an equal footing." The bill provides for the grouping of names of candidates in alphabetical order under the title of the offices and for placing the party emblems before the names of the candidates.

## A PACKAGE OF MEDICINE FREE.

Every subscriber to this paper who will write to the address below will receive, free of expense, a package containing small boxes of the following well-known medicines: Lane's Tea for the bowels, Kidney for the kidneys, Lane's Pleasant Quinine Tablets for colds and grip, and Sherman's Hecatale Remedy. Address, Orator F. Woodward, Le Roy, N. Y.

## 30 Years of Success

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We receive more good reports about Rexall Mucin-Tone than we do of all other catarrh remedies sold in our store, and if more people only knew what a thoroughly dependable remedy Rexall Mucin-Tone is, it would be the only catarrh remedy we would have any demand for.

Rexall Mucin-Tone is quickly absorbed and by its therapeutic effect tends to disintegrate and cleanse the entire mucous membrane tract, to destroy and remove the parasites which injure the membranous tissues, to soothe the irritation and heal the sores, stop the mucous discharge, build up strong, healthy tissue and relieve the blood and system of diseased matter. Its influence is toward stimulating the mucous cells, aiding digestion and improving nutrition until the whole body vibrates with healthy activity. In a comparatively short time it brings about a noticeable gain in weight, strength, good color and feeling of buoyancy.

We urge you to try Rexall Mucin-Tone, beginning a treatment to-day. At any time you are not satisfied, simply come and tell us, and we will quickly return your money without question or quibble. We have Rexall Mucin-Tone in two sizes, 50c and \$1.00. Remember, you can obtain Rexall medicine in Barre only at our store, The Rexall Store, Red Cross Pharmacy, Burt H. Wells, proprietor.

## KERMIT BRAVES THE CROCODILES TO SAVE BODY

Dives into Nile with Another Member of the Expedition After Drowned Man—Party Off on Last Hunt.

Gondokoro, Sudan on the Upper Nile, Feb. 19.—Col. Roosevelt, Kermit Roosevelt and Edmund Heller, the zoologist, left on a steamer yesterday for a final week of shooting along the river banks. Meantime R. J. Cunningham, the field naturalist, Mr. Edgar A. Mearns, and J. Alden Loring will remain here to pack the specimens, dress the porters and others who have accompanied the Americans, and conclude the details incident to the winding up of the expedition.

The party will leave here about Feb. 26, and from then on Mr. Roosevelt will devote himself to preservation of the lectures which he is to deliver upon his arrival in Europe.

Kermit Roosevelt and Mr. Loring distinguished themselves yesterday. A native had fallen into the river near the steamer occupied by Col. Roosevelt and was drowned. Kermit and Mr. Loring learned of the accident and in an effort to recover the body both dove into the water heedless of the dangers from the crocodiles and the swift current.

## HAD LONG SAILED THE SEAS.

Captain Crowley Had Only Engaged in Coasting for Two Years.

Gloicester, Mass., Feb. 19.—It was a sorrowful identification which Frank E. Crowley of Boston Thursday evening made of the two-masted schooner George E. Prescott, which, bound from Calais, Me., for Boston, capsized in last Friday's storm. To Crowley it meant the certainty of the loss of his father, Capt. E. D. Crowley of Jonesport, Me. To his name should be added also those of three members of the Prescott's crew. The old-time coaster, it is believed, shook all hands from her decks into a watery grave.

Young Crowley identified the vessel as the Prescott by several peculiarities, which, though he is still bottom up, were evident to him after his trips with his father.

## NO NIGHT WORK FOR WOMEN.

France Takes Steps to Abolish Abuse.

Paris, Feb. 19.—Night work by French seamstresses and other working girls will cease on June 30, by a decree of the ministry of labor. The sweating system in France, especially in Paris, has resulted in great abuses. In many fashionable dressmaking establishments the girls have been in the habit of working until ten or eleven o'clock at night, and during the rush of the American season they are often detained all night, working in four-hour shifts.

## AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Hadley's Pictures at Barre Opera House Monday Night.

Edwin J. Hadley, who will present his peerless pictures here on Monday next, has for this visit an entirely new collection. The public demand the best and have learned that this exhibition exceeds their highest anticipations. Mr. Hadley's former engagements here have firmly established him as a popular favorite, and his coming engagement is looked forward to with pleasurable anticipations.

## BIG DRYDOCK FOR MONTREAL.

Will Be Capable of Accommodating Vessels Up to 30,000 Tons.

Montreal, Feb. 19.—F. W. Cowie, chief engineer of the Montreal harbor board has announced that a floating drydock, capable of accommodating vessels of twenty thousand tons, is to be built at this port by an English firm to whom the Dominion will grant a three and one-half per cent. bonus. Montreal has no drydock at present.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

## GODDARD WON BY 2 POINTS

Defeated Bradford Academy Last Night, 27 to 25

## IN HARD FOUGHT GAME

Richardson Tossed in Two Baskets in the Last Minute of Play, Giving Home Team a Victory—Goddard Was Weakened.

In the closest and hardest fought game of the season, Goddard seminary defeated the Bradford academy basket ball team, 27 to 25, at the Church street gymnasium last evening. The visitors put up the strongest game against Goddard of any opponent that has played here this winter, and it was only in the last minute of the game that Goddard snatched the victory out of what looked like sure defeat for them. In the last minute of play before the final whistle blew, Richardson caged two baskets from the floor, which placed Goddard two points in the lead and won the game.

The score was close throughout the contest, there being at no time more than five points' difference in the scores. Three times during the game, the score was tied. Owing to the fact that "Chuck" Spaulding and Moore, two of Goddard's strongest players, were absent from the team, said to be doing penance on the "hill," the team did not play up to its usual form. The Bradford team has had a successful season thus far, having won 10 out of 14 games and all of their home games.

Bradford led in the scoring most of the time during the game. Three 15-minute periods were played, and the first period ended 9 to 7 in favor of the visitors. In the middle of the second period, Goddard tied the score but was unable to get in the lead, and just before the period closed Bradford got the lead again by two points, the score standing 17 to 15. In the last inning, Bradford got another basket at the start, but Richardson scored one from the floor and Goddard scored a point on a foul.

Richardson then caged another from the floor, putting Goddard one point in the lead. The lead in the scoring then went back and forth from one side to the other, until the last minute before the game ended, when Richardson caged two baskets from the floor and won the game.

## THE LINE-UP:

Goddard. Bradford Acad.  
Carr, F. . . . . 1 g. Wright  
Richardson, F. . . . . 2 g. Pierce  
Coby, C. . . . . 1 g. Cowley  
Chappel, F. . . . . 1 g. Shawway  
Towsley, J. . . . . 1 g. H. Haskins  
Baskets from the floor, Richardson 5, Coby 3, Carr 1, Chappel 1, Cowley 2, Shawway 2, H. Haskins 2, Pierce 2, Wright 1; baskets from fouls, Coby 3, Carr 1, Richardson 1, Shawway 1; referee, Morris; umpire, Libbey; time, three 15-minute periods.

## DAZZLING GAME BY SPAULDING

Caused Second Defeat of Burlington High School at Burlington Last Night by Score of 52 to 37.

Burlington, Feb. 19.—Spaulding high school of Barre made it two straight from Burlington high school on the Y. M. C. A. basket ball floor last night, winning by the score of 52 to 37 in a whirlwind game.

Every little while most men feel the necessity of replenishing their stock of

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Barre's Leading Clothiers, 122 North Main Street, Barre, Vermont.

## BIG CUE MATCH IN SIGHT.

Denver Will Back Eames Against De Oro For \$2,500.

If Alfred De Oro accepts the proposition made to him recently by Denver backers of Fred Eames, the new three cushion billiard champion, the Colorado metropolis will be the scene next spring of an angle game for the biggest stake ever contested for in an individual billiard match. The westerners say they will put up \$2,500 on Eames if De Oro will wager as much on himself in a special match of 150 points to be played in Denver.

After De Oro finishes his engagements on the coast he probably will visit Denver on his way east and consider this proposition seriously. He feels sure that he is the superior of the new champion at the angle game and is inclined to look upon the Denver proposition as easy money. De Oro expects to be in Denver when Hueston plays Eames next March, as he has a challenge in to meet the winner.

## JEFFRIES' EXHIBITION TOUR NETS \$62,812.

San Francisco, Feb. 19.—James J. Jeffries, who arrived here yesterday morning from the East, announced that his share of the proceeds received from his transcontinental exhibition tour, under the direction of H. H. Frazer, amounted to \$62,812. The tour started immediately after his signing of articles with Jack Johnson in Hoboken, and carried him from Boston to the Pacific coast and back again as far as Chicago. During the trip he had travelled slightly more than 12,000 miles.

The gross proceeds amounted to \$202,712.

## NATIONAL AMATEUR WRESTLING TOUR.

The national amateur wrestling championships will be held at the Illinois Athletic club, Chicago, Feb. 23 and 24. The entry lists will close on Feb. 21. Championships in the following seven classes will be decided: 105 pounds, 115 pounds, 125 pounds, 135 pounds, 145 pounds, 155 pounds, and more than 155 pounds. Tentative entries have been received from New York, Brooklyn, Boston, New Orleans, San Francisco and Seattle.

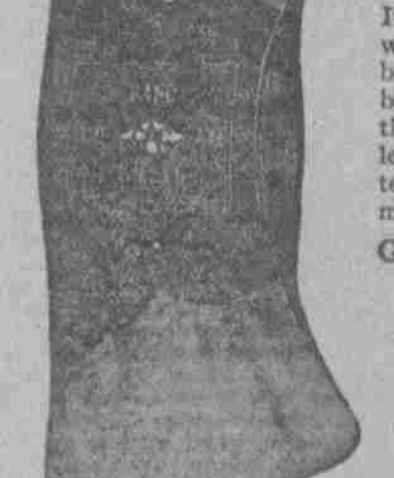
## JOHNSON WOULD MEET LANGFORD.

Jack Johnson has made two definite replies to Sam Langford. He will post \$10,000 for a match after the Jeffries fight, win or lose, and will in the interim back Joe Jeannette for \$2,500 against Sam.

## The C. A. C. Axe Is the Axe You Ought To Have

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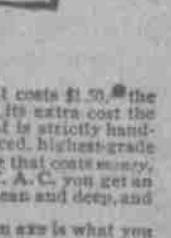
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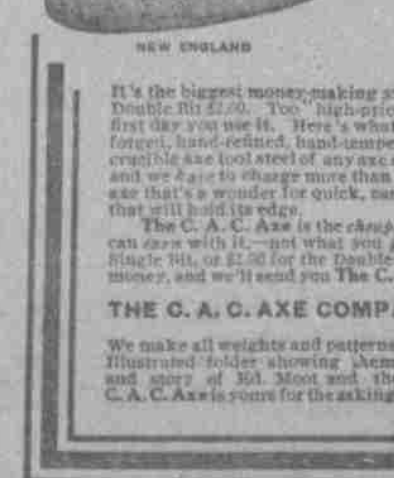
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